

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2028–2034, and S. Res. 227. **Page S2076**

**Measures Reported:**

H.R. 2739, To amend Public Law 107–10 to authorize a United States plan to endorse and obtain observer status for Taiwan at the annual summit of the World Health Assembly in May 2002 in Geneva, Switzerland.

S. Res. 205, urging the Government of Ukraine to ensure a democratic, transparent, and fair election process leading up to the March 31, 2002, parliamentary elections.

S. Res. 213, condemning human rights violations in Chechnya and urging a political solution to the conflict, and with an amended preamble. **Page S2075**

**Measures Passed:**

**Taiwan Observer Status:** Senate passed H.R. 2739, to amend Public Law 107–10 to authorize a United States plan to endorse and obtain observer status for Taiwan at the annual summit of the World Health Assembly in May 2002 in Geneva, Switzerland, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Campaign Finance Reform:** Senate began consideration of H.R. 2356, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide bipartisan campaign reform.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, March 20, 2002, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on the bill to occur at approximately 1 p.m. Further, that if cloture is invoked, there be an additional 3 hours of debate, equally divided, followed by a vote on passage of the bill; and if cloture is not invoked, this agreement is vitiated.

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A further unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of a Senate Resolution, the text of which is at the desk, and that the resolution be agreed to.

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**Energy Policy Act:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 517, to authorize funding for the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002

through 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2018–69**

Adopted:

Reid (for Bingaman) Amendment No. 3039 (to Amendment No. 2917), making a technical correction. **Pages S2018, S2069**

Pending:

Daschle/Bingaman Further Modified Amendment No. 2917, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S2018–69**

Feinstein Modified Amendment No. 2989 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide regulatory oversight over energy trading markets and metals trading markets. **Pages S2018–38**

Kerry/McCain Amendment No. 2999 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide for increased average fuel economy standards for passenger automobiles and light trucks. **Page S2018**

Dayton/Grassley Amendment No. 3008 (to Amendment No. 2917), to require that Federal agencies use ethanol-blended gasoline and biodiesel-blended diesel fuel in areas in which ethanol-blended gasoline and biodiesel-blended diesel fuel are available. **Page S2018**

Bingaman Amendment No. 3016 (to Amendment No. 2917), to clarify the provisions relating to the Renewable Portfolio Standard. **Pages S2018, S2038**

Lott Amendment No. 3028 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide for the fair treatment of Presidential judicial nominees. **Pages S2018–38**

Lott Amendment No. 3033 (to Amendment No. 2989), to provide for the fair treatment of Presidential judicial nominees. **Pages S2027–28, S2034**

Lincoln Modified Amendment No. 3023 (to Amendment No. 2917), to expand the eligibility to receive biodiesel credits and to require the Secretary of Energy to conduct a study on alternative fueled vehicles and alternative fuels. **Pages S2038–43, S2064**

Kyl Amendment No. 3038 (to Amendment No. 3016), to provide for appropriate State regulatory authority with respect to renewable sources of electricity. **Pages S2043–55, S2056–69**

**Messages From the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Periodic Report on the National Emergency with respect to National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) for the period September 26, 2001

through March 25, 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-77)

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Transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2002 Trade Policy Agenda and the 2001 Annual Report on the Trade Agreements Program; to the Committee on Finance. (PM-78)

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**Authority for Committees:** All committees were authorized to file legislative and executive reports during the adjournment/recess of the Senate on Wednesday, April 3, 2002, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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**Measures Held at Desk:**

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**Adjournment:** Senate met at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 7:27 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, March 20, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2093).

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS—NOAA/FTC

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respective activities from Vice Adm. Conrad C. Lautenbacher, Jr., Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere/Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and Timothy J. Muris, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission.

### APPROPRIATIONS—INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the international affairs programs of the Department of the Treasury, after receiving testimony from Paul H. O'Neill, Secretary of the Treasury.

### APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for Navy and Air Force military construction programs, after receiving testimony in behalf of funds for their respec-

tive activities from H.T. Johnson, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Installation and Environment; Rear Adm. David D. Pruett, Civil Engineer Corps, USN, Director, Civil Engineering Readiness Division, Chief of Naval Operations; Rear Adm. Noel G. Preston, USNR, Deputy Director of Naval Reserve; Brig. Gen. (Select) Ronald S. Coleman, USMC, Deputy Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps for Installation and Logistics Facilities; Nelson F. Gibbs, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installation, Environment and Logistics; Maj. Gen. Earnest O. Robbins II, USAF, The Air Force Civil Engineer, Deputy Chief of Staff, Installations and Logistics; Brig. Gen. David A. Brubaker, USANG, Deputy Director, Air National Guard; and Brig. Gen. Robert E. Duignan, USAFR, Deputy to the Chief of the Air Force Reserve.

### U.S. INTERESTS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the worldwide threat to United States interests, after receiving testimony from George J. Tenet, Director of Central Intelligence; and Vice Adm. Thomas R. Wilson, USN, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency.

### DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Seapower concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on maximizing fleet presence capability and ship procurement and research and development, after receiving testimony from Rear Adm. Miles B. Wachendorf, USN, Director, Strategy and Policy Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; John J. Young, Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition; and Vice Adm. Michael G. Mullen, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Resources, Requirements and Assessments.

### ACCOUNTING AND INVESTOR PROTECTION

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee resumed oversight hearings to examine accounting and investor protection issues raised by the fall of the Enron Corporation and by other public companies, focusing on oversight and regulation of the accounting profession, corporate governance, and stock analyst conflicts of interests, receiving testimony from Charles A. Bowsher, former Comptroller General of the United States, General Accounting Office, Aulana L. Peters, and Alan B. Levenson, former Director, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, all of the Public Oversight Board, Stamford, Connecticut; L. William Seidman, Washington, D.C., former Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and John C. Whitehead, former Deputy Secretary of State, and Michael Mayo, Prudential Securities, Inc., both of New York, New York.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

**NOMINATION**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Vice Admiral Thomas Collins to be Commandant of the United States Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Stevens, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

**COAST GUARD BUDGET**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, and Fisheries concluded oversight hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2003 of the United States Coast Guard, after receiving testimony from Adm. James M. Loy, Commandant, United States Coast Guard; Kenneth M. Mead, Inspector General, Department of Transportation; and Jayetta Z. Hecker, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, General Accounting Office.

**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee resumed hearings to examine ideas for transportation demand, access, mobility, congestion, and program flexibility, in preparation for reauthorization of Transportation Equity Act for the Twenty First Century (TEA 21), after receiving testimony from Tim Lomax, Texas A&M University Texas Transportation Institute, College Station; Ron Sims, Offices of the King County Executive, Seattle, Washington; Anthony Downs, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.; C. Kenneth Orski, Urban Mobility Corporation, Potomac, Maryland; Frederick P. Salvucci, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge; and Alan E. Pisarski, Falls Church, Virginia.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

**CHILD CARE**

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy held joint hearings with the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Subcommittee on Children and Families to examine affordable child care and improving links between the welfare work requirements and child care for low income, working families, receiving testimony from Wade F. Horn, Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Children and Families; Ann S. Williamson, Louisiana Department of Social Services, Baton Rouge; Mark H. Greenberg, Center for Law and Social Policy, Washington, D.C.; and Vicky Flamand, Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. Res. 213, condemning human rights violations in Chechnya and urging a political solution to the conflict, with amendments;

H.R. 2739, to amend Public Law 107-10 to require a United States plan to endorse and obtain observer status for Taiwan at the annual summit of the World Health Assembly in May 2002 in Geneva, Switzerland;

S. Res. 205, urging the Government of Ukraine to ensure a democratic, transparent, and fair election process leading up to the March 31, 2002, parliamentary elections; and

The nominations of Emmy B. Simmons, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Administrator for Economic Growth, Agriculture, and Trade of the United States Agency for International Development, Robert B. Holland III, of Texas, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank For Reconstruction and Development, Robert Patrick John Finn, of New York, to be Ambassador to Afghanistan, Richard Monroe Miles, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to Georgia, James W. Pardew, of Arkansas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria, Peter Terpeluk, Jr., of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, Lawrence E. Butler, of Maine, to be Ambassador to The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, and two Foreign Service Officer promotions lists.

**CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded hearings to examine the scope of the threat facing the United States from potential military or terrorist attack with chemical and biological weapons, and actions necessary to address and reduce this threat, after receiving testimony from Carl W. Ford, Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research; Alan P. Zelicoff, Senior Scientist, Sandia National Laboratories Center for National Security and Arms Control; Michael Moodie, Chemical and Biological Arms Control Institute, Washington, D.C., former Assistant Director, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency; and Amy Sands, Monterey Institute of International Studies Center for Nonproliferation Studies, Monterey, California, former Assistant Director, Intelligence, Verification, and Information Management Bureau, U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

**FEDERAL WORKFORCE REFORM**

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on International Security, Proliferation and Federal Services continued hearings to examine proposed legislation to give federal agencies new management tools to handle recruitment and retention of skilled federal employees, in order to avoid a human capital crisis which may be brought by large-scale retirements expected in the near future, including S. 1603, to provide for reform relating to Federal employment, and S. 1612, to provide Federal managers with tools and flexibility in areas such as personnel, budgeting, property management and disposal, receiving testimony from Paul C. Light, Brookings Institution, on behalf of the National Commission on the Public

Service, and Max Stier, Partnership for Public Service, both of Washington, D.C.; Carolyn Ban, University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration; and Steven J. Kelman, Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Terrence L. O'Brian, of Wyoming, to be United States Circuit Judge for

the Tenth Circuit, Lance M. Africk, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, Paul G. Cassell, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, and Legrome D. Davis, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. O'Brian was introduced by Senators Thomas and Enzi, Mr. Africk was introduced by Senator Breaux and Representative Tauzin, Mr. Cassell was introduced by Senators Hatch and Bennett, and Mr. Davis was introduced by Senators Specter and Santorum.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 18 public bills, H.R. 3991–4008; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 356–359, and H. Res. 371, were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 372, providing for consideration of H. Con. Res. 353, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2003 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2004 through 2007 (H. Rept. 107–380); and

H. Res. 373, providing for consideration of H.R. 3924, to authorize telecommuting for Federal contractors (H. Rept. 107–381).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Culberson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Prayer:** The prayer was offered by Rabbi Joseph F. Mendelsohn, Heska Amuna Synagogue of Knoxville, Tennessee.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:07 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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**Journal:** Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Monday, March 18 by a ye-and-nay vote of 363 yeas to 44 nays, with 1 voting "present," Roll No. 65.

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**Private Calendar:** On the call of the Private Calendar, passed over H.R. 392, for the relief of Nancy B. Wilson without prejudice.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Gila River Indian Community Lease Act:* H.R. 3985, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, busi-

ness, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases", approved August 9, 1955, to provide for binding arbitration clauses in leases and contracts related to reservation lands of the Gila River Indian Community;

Pages H945–46

*Elephant Butte Reservoir and Caballo Reservoir, New Mexico—Lease Lot Conveyance Act:* H.R. 706, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain properties in the vicinity of the Elephant Butte Reservoir and the Caballo Reservoir, New Mexico;

Pages H946–48

*National Park of American Samoa Boundary Adjustment:* H.R. 1712, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make minor adjustments to the boundary of the National Park of American Samoa to include certain portions of the islands of Ofu and Olosega within the park. Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make adjustments to the boundary of the National Park of American Samoa to include certain portions of the islands of Ofu and Olosega within the park, and for other purposes."

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*Commending the Phoenix Project and its Restoration of the Pentagon:* H. Res. 368, commending the great work that the Pentagon Renovation Program and its contractors have completed thus far, in reconstructing the portion of the Pentagon that was destroyed by the terrorist attack of September 11, 2001 (agreed to by a ye-and-nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 66);

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*Utah Public Lands Artifact Preservation Act:* H.R. 3928, to assist in the preservation of archaeological, paleontological, zoological, geological, and botanical artifacts through construction of a new facility for the University of Utah Museum of Natural History, Salt Lake City, Utah;

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**Extension of Export-Import Bank Authority until April 30, 2002:** S. 2019, to extend the authority of the Export-Import Bank until April 30, 2002—clearing the measure for the President;

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**Bureau of Engraving and Printing Security Printing Amendments:** H.R. 2509, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to produce currency, postage stamps, and other security documents at the request of foreign governments, and security documents at the request of the individual States of the United States, or any political subdivision thereof, on a reimbursable basis (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 403 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 67). Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to produce currency, postage stamps, and other security documents at the request of foreign governments on a reimbursable basis.”;

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**Extension of Unemployment Assistance Related to September 11 Terrorist Attacks:** H.R. 3986, to extend the period of availability of unemployment assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act in the case of victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; and

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**James R. Browning United States Courthouse, San Francisco, California:** H.R. 2804, to designate the United States courthouse located at 95 Seventh Street in San Francisco, California, as the “James R. Browning United States Courthouse” (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 403 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 68).

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**Suspension Proceedings Postponed—Democratic Parliamentary Elections in Ukraine:** The House completed debate on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 339, amended, urging the Government of Ukraine to ensure a democratic, transparent, and fair election process leading up to the March 31, 2002, parliamentary elections. Further proceedings were postponed until Wednesday, March 20.

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**Presidential Messages:** Read the following messages from the President:

**National Emergency re Angola:** Message wherein he transmitted a six month periodic report on the National Emergency with respect to the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) that was declared in Executive Order 12865 of September 26, 1993—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 107–190); and

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**Trade Policy Agenda and Trade Agreements Program:** Message wherein he transmitted the 2002 Trade Policy agenda and 2001 Annual Report on the Trade Agreements Program—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 107–191).

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:03 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:41 p.m. and reconvened at 12:45 a.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2002.

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**Amendments:** Amendment ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H1003–04.

**Quorum Calls Votes:** Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H972, H973, H973–74, and H974. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 12:46 a.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2002.

## Committee Meetings

### LABOR, HHS AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education held a hearing on National Institutes of Health Panel: Fundamental Research: Biomedical Science in the Future. Testimony was heard from the following officials of NIH, Department of Health and Human Services: Marvin Cassman, M.D., Director, National Institute of General Medical Sciences; James F. Battey, Jr., M.D., Director, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders; Richard Nakamura, M.D., Acting Director, National Institute of Mental Health; Glen Hanson, M.D., Acting Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse; Judith L. Vaitukaitis, M.D., Director, National Center for Research Resources; and Ellie Ehrenfeld, M.D., Director, Center for Scientific Review.

### VA, HUD, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies held a hearing on Department of Housing and Urban Development. Testimony was heard from Mel R. Martinez, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

### U.S. DEFENSE INDUSTRIAL BASE

**Committee on Armed Services:** Subcommittee on Military Procurement held a hearing on the U.S. defense industrial base. Testimony was heard from Suzanne D. Patrick, Deputy Under Secretary (Industrial Policy), Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

### NATURAL GAS PIPELINE SAFETY ACT AND HAZARDOUS LIQUID PIPELINE SAFETY ACT REAUTHORIZATION

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing on the reauthorization of the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act

and the Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Act. Testimony was heard from Ellen G. Engleman, Administrator, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation; Robert J. Chipkevich, Director, Office of Railroad, Pipeline, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Investigations, National Transportation Safety Board; Peter Guerrero, Director, Physical Infrastructure, GAO; and public witnesses.

#### **OVERSIGHT—INS NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL—TERRORIST HIJACKERS**

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on "The INS March 2002 Notification of Approval of Change of Status for Pilot Training for Terrorist Hijackers Mohammed Atta and Marwan Al-Shehhi." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the INS, Department of Justice: James Ziglar, Commissioner; and Michael Cutler, Special Agent; and public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Resources*: Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands held a hearing on the following: H.R. 2982, to authorize the establishment of a memorial within the area in the District of Columbia referred to in the Commemorative Works Act as "Area I" or "Area II" to the victims of terrorist attacks on the United States, to provide for the design and construction of such a memorial; H.R. 3380, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue right-of-way permits for natural gas pipelines within the boundary of Great Smoky Mountains National Park; and a measure to designate and provide for the management of the Shoshone National Recreation Trail. Testimony was heard from Representatives Turner and Jenkins; P. Daniel Smith, Special Assistant to the Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE**

*Committee on Resources*: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on H.R. 3881, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to engage in studies relating to enlarging Pueblo Dam and Reservoir and Sugar Loaf Dam and Turquoise Lake, Fryingpan-Arkansas Project, Colorado. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hefley and Moran of Kansas; John W. Keys III, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; the following officials of the State of Kansas: Carla Stovall, Attorney General; and David Pope, Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources, Department of Agriculture; Jim Null, Councilman, City of Colorado Springs, State of Colorado; and public witnesses.

#### **FREEDOM TO TELECOMMUTE ACT**

*Committee on Rules*: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate on H.R.

3924, Freedom to Telecommute Act of 2002, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to those members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

#### **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET**

*Committee on Rules*: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule on H. Con. Res. 353, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2003 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2004 through 2007, providing three hours of general debate, with two hours confined to the congressional budget equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget, and one hour on the subject of economic goals and policies equally divided and controlled by Representative Saxton of New Jersey and Representative Stark of California or their designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The rule permits the chairman of the Budget Committee to offer amendments in the House to achieve mathematical consistency. Finally, the rule provides that the concurrent resolution shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question of its adoption. Testimony was heard from Chairman Nussle and Representatives Spratt, McDermott, Davis of Florida, Clayton, Moran of Virginia, Moore, Holt, Matheson, Skelton, Stenholm, Tanner, Taylor of Mississippi, Brown of Ohio, Millender-McDonald, Hinojosa, Kilpatrick, Tauscher, Tierney, and Hill.

#### **RURAL AMERICA—ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE**

*Committee on Small Business*: Subcommittee on Rural Enterprises, Agriculture and Technology held a hearing on Access to Health Care in Rural America. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **JOINT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE PROGRAMS/TACTICAL INTELLIGENCE**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*: Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Joint Military Intelligence Programs/Tactical Intelligence and Related Activities. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2002

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold closed hearings to examine an overview of intelligence programs, 10 a.m., S-407 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Treasury and General Government, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Office of Management and Budget, 1:30 p.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for public health, nutrition and regulatory agencies, 2 p.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on recruiting and retention in the military services, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2003 for the Department of Defense, focusing on national security space programs and strategic programs, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to continue oversight hearings to examine accounting and investor protection issues raised by the fall of the Enron Corporation and by other public companies, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* business meeting to mark up a proposed concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 2003 budget for the Federal Government, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine H.R. 1542, to deregulate the Internet and high speed data services, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine legislative initiatives that would impose limits on the shipments of out-of-State municipal solid waste and authorize State and local governments to exercise flow control, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine issues with respect to the collapse of the Enron Corporation, focusing on credit rating agencies, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* business meeting to mark up S. 1992, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to improve diversification of plan assets for participants in individual account plans, to improve disclosure, account access, and accountability under individual account plans; and S. 1335, to support business incubation in academic settings, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold

hearings to examine identity theft and information protection, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentations of American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Vietnam Veterans of America, the Retired Officers Association, the National Association of State Directors of Veterans Affairs, and AMVETS, 2 p.m., 345 Cannon Building.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on Rural Development, 9:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on DEA, 10 a.m., and on U.S. Trade Representative, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Fiscal Year 2003 Air Force Budget Overview, 9:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, on Smithsonian, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the Administration for Children and Families, 10:15 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, on Unexploded Ordnance, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on Federal Transit Administration, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government, on Bureau of Public Debt, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on Corporation for National and Community Services, 9:30 a.m., and on Council on Environmental Quality, 11:30 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services,* to continue hearings on the fiscal year 2003 National Defense Authorization budget request, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Installations and Facilities, hearing on the fiscal year 2003 National Defense Authorization budget request, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Procurement, hearing on the fiscal year 2003 National Defense Authorization budget request, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3762, Pension Security Act of 2002; H.R. 3784, Museum and Libraries Services Act of 2002; H.R. 3839, Keeping Children and Families Safe Act of 2002; and H.R. 3801, to provide for improvement of Federal education research, statistics, evaluation, information, and dissemination, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Medicare Modernization: Examining the Federal Employees Health Benefit Program as a Model for Seniors," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* to continue hearings on H.R. 3763, Corporate and Auditing Accountability, Responsibility, and Transparency Act of 2002, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management and Intergovernmental Relations, hearing on "Financial Management at NASA: What Went Wrong?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Affairs, hearing on "The Department of Defense: What is Being Done to Resolve Longstanding Financial Management Problems?" 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, to mark up the following: the Afghanistan Freedom Support Act; H.R. 3656, to amend the International Organizations Immunities Act to provide for the applicability of that Act to the European Central Bank; and H. Con. Res. 290, expressing the sense of the Congress that women throughout the world should join together for a week of workshops, forums, and other events to speak up for world peace, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 476, Child Custody Protection Act; and H.R. 3925, Digital Tech Corps Act of 2002, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, to mark up H.R. 3892, Judicial Improvements Act of 2002, immediately following full Committee markup, 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, to mark up the following measures: H. Res. 261, recognizing the historical significance of the Aquia sandstone quarries of Government Island in Stafford County, Virginia for their contributions to the construction of the Capitol of the United States; H.R. 1448, to clarify the tax treatment of bonds and other obligations issued by the Government of American Samoa; H.R. 2109, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Virginia Key Beach, Florida, for possible inclusion in the National Park System; H.R. 2114, National Monument Fairness Act of 2001; H.R. 2628, Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area Study Act of 2001; H.R. 2643, Fort Clatsop National Memorial Expansion Act of 2001; H.R. 2880, Five Nations Citizens Land Reform Act; H.R. 2937, to provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Clark County, Nevada, for use as a shooting range; H.R. 2963, Deep Creek Wilderness Act; H.R. 3421, Yosemite National Park Educational Facilities Improvement Act; H.R. 3425, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of establishing Highway 49 in California, known as the Golden Chain Highway, as a National Heritage Corridor; H.R. 3480, Upper Mississippi River Basin Protection Act of 2001; H.R. 3606, Wallowa Lake Dam Rehabilitation and Water Management Act of 2001; H.R. 3848, to provide for funds for the construction of recreational and visitor facilities in Washington County, Utah; H.R. 3853, to make technical corrections to laws passed by the 106th Congress related to parks and public lands; H.R. 3909, Gunn McKay Nature Preserve Act; H.R. 3955, to designate certain National Forest System lands in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System; H.R. 3958, to provide a mechanism for the settlement of claims of the State of Utah regarding portions of the Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge located on the

shore of the Great Salt Lake, Utah; and S. 506, Huna Totem Corporation Land Exchange Act, 10 a.m., and to hold a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2829, Sound Science for Endangered Species Act Planning Act of 2001; and H.R. 3705, Sound Science Saves Species Act of 2002, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2051, to provide for the establishment of regional plant genome and gene expression research and development centers; H.R. 3389, National Sea Grant College Program Act Amendments of 2002; and H.R. 3939, Energy Pipeline Research, Development, and Demonstration Act; followed by a hearing on The 2001 Presidential Awardees for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching: Views from the Blackboard, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, hearing on Making the Office of Advocacy Independent, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, to consider the following measures: H.R. 3983, Maritime Transportation Antiterrorism Act of 2002; H.R. 3930, Water Quality Financing Act of 2002; H. Con. Res. 347, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; H. Con. Res. 348, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Book Festival; H. Con. Res. 356, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 354, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; H.R. 2672, to designate the United States courthouse to be constructed at 8th Avenue and Mill Street in Eugene, Oregon as the "Wayne Lyman Morse United States Courthouse;" and H.R. 2911, to designate the Federal building located at 5100 Paint Branch Parkway in College Park, Maryland, as the "Harvey W. Wiley Federal Building." 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, to mark up H.R. 3983, Maritime Transportation and Antiterrorism Act of 2002, 10 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Ensuring the Integrity of the Highway Trust Fund, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to mark up H.R. 3991, Taxpayer Protection and IRS Accountability Act of 2002, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, executive, hearing on National Foreign Intelligence Program Overview of Fiscal Year 2003, 2:30 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Meetings*: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentations of American Ex-Prisoners of War, the Vietnam Veterans of America, the Retired Officers Association, the National Association of State Directors of Veterans Affairs, and AMVETS, 2 p.m., 345 Cannon Building.



*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Wednesday, March 20

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, March 20

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2356, Campaign Finance Reform, with a vote on the motion to close further debate on the bill to occur at approximately 1 p.m.

Also, Senate expects to resume consideration of S. 517, Energy Policy Act.

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Consideration of H.R. 3924, Freedom to Telecommute Act (open rule, one hour of general debate) and

Consideration of H. Con. Res. 353, Budget Resolution for FY 2002 (closed rule, three hours of general debate).

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